DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 3, 2021.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are required regarding; whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function

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Farm Service Agency

TITLE: Assignments of Payments and Joint Payment Authorizations; Request for

Waiver

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0560-0183

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (16 USC

590h(g)) authorizes producers to assign, in writing, Farm Service Agency (FSA) conservation

program payments. The statute requires that any such assignment be signed and witnessed. The

Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, extends that authority to Commodity Credit Corporation

(CCC) programs, including rice, feed grains, cotton, and wheat. When the recipient of an FSA,

NRCS, or CCC payment chooses to assign a payment to another party or have the payment

made jointly with another party, the other party must be identified. All federal nontax payments

must be made by EFT, unless a waiver applies which requires certain criteria to be granted. FSA

will collect information using forms CCC-36, CCC 37, CCC-251, CCC-252 and FPAC-FM-12.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: The information collected on the forms will be

used by FSA and NRCS employees in order to record the payment or contract being assigned,

the amount of the assignment, the date of the assignment, and the name and address of the

assignee and the assignor. This is to enable FSA employee to pay the proper party when

payments become due. FSA will also use the information to issue program payments jointly at

the request of the producer and also terminate joint payments at the request of both the producer

and joint payee.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENT: Farms

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 700,491

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting; On occasion

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 116,687

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